Attara Bridge on the Vaikam-Vechur Road.

191. **MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI** (*Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how many years it is since the Attara bridge on the Vaikam-Vechur road has tumbled down; and

(*b*) whether they have considered the dangerous condition of this crossing and the vast number of people, men and women, both young and old, from Vechur and other places, who daily travel along this crossing for worshipping in the Vaikam temple and for attending offices, courts and schools?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The bridge was dismantled in the beginning of 1925.

(*b*) Yes.

MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI (*Kottayam*): In view of answer to part (*b*) may I know, what steps the Government have taken?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): A revised estimate has been sanctioned and the work is proceeding.

Bridge at Chunkakkadavu.

192. **MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI** (*Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that there is urgent necessity for constructing a bridge at Chunkakkadavu in the Minachil river which the people of the pakuthies of Aimmanam, Kudamalur, Kaipuzha and Onamturuttu, have to cross, both day and night, for attending courts, offices, schools, colleges and other institutions at Kottayam; and

(*b*) whether they have taken any steps in regard to this matter?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The Chief Engineer reports that a bridge is necessary.

(*b*) Yes.

MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI (*Kottayam*): In view of the answer to part (*b*) may I know whether the Government have taken any steps?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The Chief Engineer has received a preliminary report and he is now considering the preparation of the design etc. His report is awaited by the Government.

Assignment of Puduval lands to Co-operative Societies.

193. **MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI** (*Kottayam*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have ear-marked any *puduval* lands for assignment to co-operative societies?

(*b*) Are the Government aware that rich people are not shareholders in co-operative societies?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The answer is in the negative.

(*b*) The Government have no information.

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